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1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
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4 **By: Senator Fitch**

A Bill

SENATE BILL 311

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 14-282-102 TO ALLOW QUORUM
9 COURTS TO ESTABLISH THE AREA OF A COUNTY TO BE SERVED BY
10 AN AMBULANCE SERVICE DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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12 WHEREAS, the present law regarding the establishment of ambulance
13 service districts requiring the district boundaries to be coextensive in area
14 with county or county judicial district boundaries is too restrictive to allow
15 needed flexibility for the various quorum courts of the State to set the areas
16 to be served by the proposed ambulance service district:

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18 NOW THEREFORE,

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 14-282-102(e) (1) is hereby amended to read as
22 follows:

23 "(e) (1) An ambulance service district that is composed of an area
24 within a county as established by the quorum court of the county may be
25 created by ordinance of the quorum court. The ordinance shall designate the
26 area to be served. However, in no event shall the area include less than a
27 whole precinct *and all precincts must be contiguous*. The ordinance shall also
28 set forth the method the ambulance service district shall assess the persons
29 residing therein or the property owners having property located therein. An
30 assessment of up to five (5) mills may be levied by the quorum court in the
31 ambulance *service district area, provided that the assessment is approved by*
32 *at least a majority of the qualified electors voting on the issue at an*
33 *election called for that purpose. The quorum court shall establish the date*
34 *of the election which may be the same date as the general election and only*
35 *the qualifying electors residing within the boundaries of the district shall*

1 *be entitled to vote at such election. The cost of the election shall be borne*
2 *by the county."*

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4 SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature
5 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
6 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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8 SECTION 3. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to
9 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
10 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without
11 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
12 Act are declared to be severable.

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14 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are
15 hereby repealed.

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/s/Fitch

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